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F. H. MAY,  
Colonial Secretary.  
Hongkong, November 25, 1907.

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"Will this agreement extend to all your Companies?" "No," said Mr. Bandmann, "only as regards the Opera Company. Mr. Dallas will be the principal comedian. He will run the Opera Company and produce plays and play principal parts and be starred. Mrs. Dallas also will be in the Company. We met in London and settled all our differences in half an hour. When I arrived here to-day I heard all about the talk of my leaving the Opera House. This is the first I heard of it. I may say that I had no such idea in my mind. I have no intention of taking another Theatre. I think this one (the Royal) and the theatre I am going to build will be sufficient for me. It will take me all my time to run these two. Now that Mr. Dallas and I are friends, I have a free hand. Before I was afraid to do anything, lest the law should step in and say that Mr. Dallas was entitled to a half share in all I did. That is why I have delayed in erecting my new Theatre."

"Will it soon be up?" "Oh, yes. In a few days you will find the work commenced. It will be a fine block of buildings and flats, with a theatre according to an original design."

We should be interested to know something about your Company, the Opera Company for instance. "Yes. It will be one of the strongest companies that we have had here. I have secured one of Mr. George Edwards' principal baritones—Mr. Arthur Grover. He will be best known through the gramophone. Then I have Miss Winnie Harbor, a comedienne, and Miss Jessie Paris, one of the Paris sisters. She is an excellent soprano. Then I am bringing out what we have sadly wanted for some time, a clever dancer. I have secured one of the Crystal sisters. She is wonderfully clever as a buccolancer, quite a marvel, and is only 17 years of age. The new opera troupe that I am bringing out, will join forces with the old Opera Company which is now touring in the Far East, and with the greatest success. They will combine and be about 40 strong. This is the Company that Mr. Dallas will run."

Will Calcutta be the first to welcome them? "Yes, they will combine in Calcutta and open here. Both the companies are busy rehearsing. The old Opera Company have played some of the plays that will be produced."

Will we miss any of the favourites from the Opera Company? "Well, Harry Cole is off. His place will be taken by Mr. Dallas, Miss Lait is remaining. The Company will be especially strong in singing. There will be three principal sopranos, the Misses Lait, Paris and Harbor. There will be four sopranos, the Misses Corless, O'Connor, Primmer and Crystal."

How long will the Opera Company stay here? "For ten weeks. That will take us into the end of January."

Who follow the Opera Co. here? "I haven't decided that yet. I hope to have the theatre open throughout the year, the same as the past year, and to have something always going. I am also strengthening the Comedy Company. Some new artists are on their way out. They will stage a number of new plays. Among them will be Mr. Hall Caine's masterpiece, 'The Christian', which is being played at the Lyceum Theatre with great success. The 'Old' Christian was not quite such a success. They will also stage among others 'The Prodigal Son', 'The Bondsman', 'The Scarlet Pimpernel', 'Sunday', 'The Beauty', and the Burge, 'Old Heidelberg', 'Peter's Mother', 'Zu Za', etc. I was bringing out Mr. Arthur Chevalier, but he has an engagement at Drury Lane, being in the 'Sins of Society' and so could not entertain any offers at present. I intend to bring out next year a Shakespearean Company. They will stage 12 plays, among them, 'Hamlet', 'Othello', 'Richard III', 'The Taming of the Shrew', 'Merchant of Venice', 'Macbeth', 'Much Ado About Nothing', 'King Lear', and 'As You Like It'."

Speaking of the rents of theatres in Calcutta, Mr. Bandmann said: "It has come about now that they are asking as high rents for theatres in the East, that you would give for a London theatre."

SOUCIE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL.

THE Committee of the 'AL FRESCO' FETE held on the 10th inst. in the Compound of the Roman Catholic Cathedral to tender their heartfelt THANKS to H.E. The Governor and Lady LUGARD and to the Ladies and Gentlemen who so kindly contributed with their valuable assistance towards the success of the Bazaar.

Their BEST THANKS are also due to the Press, to Captain and Officers of the H.M.S. Bedford for their excellent band, and the public in general for their very liberal and highly appreciated patronage. The Bazaar realized after paying all the expenses about \$2400.

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## MARRIAGE.

HOPE.—On 27th November, 1907, at St. John's Cathedral, Hongkong, by the Rev. F. T. Johnson, assisted by Rev. G. Searle, Chaplain to H. M. Forces, son of Arthur Hope, Royal Garrison Artillery, and of Major-General J. E. Hope, Royal Artillery, Henry-on-Thames, to Miss Christine Hope, daughter of A. Shotton Hooper, Rangoon, Hongkong.

## MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Auctions.

11 a.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &amp;c., at No. 90, Queen's Road West.

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &amp;c., at 'Meriville,' 168, Wanchai Road.

4 p.m.—Auction of China Porcelain and Jewellery, at the 'Meriville,' 168, Wanchai Road.

5 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &amp;c., at Mr. Geo. P. Lammer's Sales Rooms.

## General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, November 29.—

2.15 p.m.—Meeting of His Majesty's

Justices of Peace at the Magistracy.

Goods per Prince Regent undelivered after 4

p.m. on this date will be landed.

WEDNESDAY, November 27.—

Goods per Prince Regent undelivered after

4 p.m. on this date will be landed.

TUESDAY, December 3.—

10 a.m.—Auction of Naval and Victualling

Stores, at H. M. Naval Yard.

5.30 p.m.—Organ Recital in St. John's

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WEDNESDAY, December 4.—

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THURSDAY, December 5.—

11 a.m.—Auction of British and Foreign

Goods, at Mr. Geo. P. Lammer's Sales Rooms.

WEDNESDAY, December 18.—

3 p.m.—Auction of Leasehold Property,

at Messrs. Hughes &amp; Hough's Sales

Rooms.

## The China Mail.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1907.

## THE FORTHCOMING FESTIVAL

A few days ago we wrote an article in reference to the alleged rise in the price of necessities of life which was said to have followed the announcement that His Excellency the Governor had sanctioned the proposed Chinese festival. We were careful to state that, though the information upon which the article was based came from quarters in which we had every confidence, we personally did not vouch for its correctness. Further we invited the promoters of the festival to announce whether the report of the rise in prices was accurate or not. That article was published on Friday last and yesterday afternoon we received a visit from Mr. Ho Kom Tong in reference to the matter. Mr. Ho Kom Tong is the President of the Committee which is arranging the festival and consequently he should be in a position to speak with authority. As will be noted from a letter in another column the head of the Vegetable Dealers' Guild gives a flat denial to the report that prices have been raised improperly. With the assistance of the Registrar General, we learn from Mr. Ho Kom Tong, due arrangements have been made to prevent any undue advantage being taken of the opportunity for "squeeze." These arrangements, it is claimed, have proved to be effective and it will be noticed that the statement made by a correspondent, whose letter appeared in our columns on Saturday, to the effect that the price of vegetables had already increased by 200 per cent. is declared to be inaccurate. It is of course a well-known fact that at this season of the year there is generally, in normal times, a rise of prices. The letter from the Vegetable Dealers' Guild is certainly a reassuring document and the onus of proving that prices have been improperly raised now rests upon those who first made the statement. It is well that the promoters and the dealers have come forward. Unless they had done so there would have been an impression left on the mind of the public that an unfair advantage was being taken of the opportunities afforded by the festival and this would have alienated sympathy that would, indirectly, be valuable. We have throughout made it clear that we are not opposed to the festival being held. All that we desire, and we feel assured that we speak in this connection for the European community, is that the advantages accruing from the festival

should be fairly distributed and that no injustice should be done to the poorer class Chinese. On the evidence before us we must admit that those concerned are taking proper precautions and unless it can be shown that these precautions are proving ineffective, no objection to the festival will stand which is based on the ground that the poorer classes are being squeezed.

It is rumoured that His Excellency the Governor intends to make some reference to the Government's policy concerning the Commission's report on the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance at the Legislative Council meeting to-morrow. Be this as it may we have doubts as to the Government's intentions of hurrying matters in this connection. The Report of the Commission is so exhaustive, and the public feeling is so strongly in favour of the Commission that the Government hesitates to hasten a publication of its views. The length of time that has elapsed since the presentation of the Commission's Report is great and any business concern that would fail to put its house in order in the time would naturally fail altogether. The Government is known to have an elastic conscience, but the surprise is that Sir Frederick Lugard has not seen fit to make some statement or other regarding the Government's intentions. They were settled long ago, and the time has passed for the grown-up men of this community to be treated as schoolboys without political knowledge or national ambition. They may certainly be a little lethargic, but that is no reason why the Government should take advantage of them.

After a period of quietude the suffragettes have broken out again. The eruption, according to Reuters, was terrific, meetings of a Minister of State have been broken up, the police courts in London and the provinces have been invaded and generally the suffragettes have flown violently off the handle. The matter is ceasing to be amusing. When an organised body defies the law unless stern steps are immediately taken the result must inevitably be that the law is brought into contempt. Order can only be preserved by conserving that respect for the law which we often proudly declare is a natural instinct of the Britisher. An organisation of misguided women must not be allowed to impair respect for that great institution which protects their own persons and property. Let the "man-made laws" of which they so bitterly complain be suspended and the suffragettes would speedily realise that it was to them they owed their safety. It is difficult to suggest what should be done to these lawless females. Although they are obviously suffering from some form of dementia they are not mad in the legal sense of the word and consequently they cannot be sent to lunatic asylums. Sending them to gaol as first class prisoners only allows them to pose as martyrs and encourages them in their dangerous foolishness. Evidently the laws as they stand cannot deal with the case and probably when Parliament meets next year it will be found necessary to give magistrates greater powers. If the gentlemen who preside over the lower courts were given power to commit offenders to gaol for long terms, the movement would probably lose its present lawless character. Leniency has been tried and most decidedly found wanting.

It is interesting to read the fiery appeals of the Chinese leaders of thought to their readers against the present question of the control of the rivers of China. The national party do not hesitate to say that it is the object of the Germans to acquire control of the Yellow River. In Shanghai it is said they are doing all they can to get control of the Customs, and to establish schools in which German is taught to the exclusion of Chinese; they are, further, intending to grasp sooner or later complete control of the waters of the Yellow River. So much for the Germans. Then, next, the position of affairs in the Yangtze valley is debated, and of course it is said that the aim of the British is to get full and complete control of this vast river, and certain references are made to the discussions on this matter that have gone on in the past as to the sphere of British influence in the Yangtze valley. Lastly the writers approach the Pearl River. They say boldly in regard

to trade that Hongkong has become the mother of what goes on, rather than Canton, as in the olden days. The Pearl, the North, and the East Rivers are the children, and as it is natural for the mother to look after the children, and then afterwards for the children to support the mother when she is old, so it is the wish of Hongkong to obtain control of these Rivers, which will then feed Hongkong, and support her also. There is in this discussion a reference to the action of the French on the upper course of the West River. It will be seen therefore that the writers are greatly moved and are desperately in earnest in handling the question, mixing up rumour with fiction in a way that seems most reprehensible. Of course all this kind of thing will stir up the people and warp their minds to a degree that must be unfortunate. There seems to be no desire to keep within facts in discussing these questions, but rumour and falsified statements are mixed up together as in a witch's cauldron. Unfortunately all this is based up for the taste of readers who do not know the difference between fact and fiction, between invention and substantial facts, and such perversions of truth will be read with avidity, as corroborating what is already suspected as being the purpose of foreigners, and will be believed, without hesitation and without proof.

## THE CHINESE PROCESSION.

We are informed by Mr. Ho Kom Tong that 228,000 have so far been subscribed to make the forthcoming Chinese procession a success. Of this amount the Steamboat Company has given \$3,500, the Theatres \$2,000, the Tramway Company \$500, the Opium Farm \$700 and others smaller sums. The promoters hope the Government will grant two half holidays on the days of the procession, so that people will be able to view the dragons and other strange things. It is a long time since a procession of the kind has been held here and it should provide work for multitudes of cameras, and gain some assistance for the Alice Memorial Hospital, which needs \$5,000, the Public Dispensaries, which need \$4,500 and the Yau-mai hospitals, which need \$15,000.

## LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

H.M.S. Astrea leaves the port in a few days for the north.

H.M.S. Mouchon arrived shortly after one o'clock from Canton.

H.M.S. Crescent and H.M.S. Hawk have left England with reliefs for this station.

The Hon. Mr. Keswick was a passenger to Hongkong by the Hainan which got in from coast ports to-day.

The Nippon Maru reached port from San Francisco to-day having experienced fine weather and strong monsoons.

To-morrow, the Legislative Council meets to consider in committee the Bill to amend the law relating to companies.

Coming down from Foochow, Amoy and Swatow, the Hainan, which got in this morning, experienced a strong north-east gale and high sea to Swatow, and thence fresh wind and fine weather.

There were 333 European and 158 Chinese visitors to the City Hall Library, and 188 European and 2,066 Chinese visitors to the Museum during the week ended 24th November, 1907.

The North-East monsoon seems to have set in properly now, most steamers reporting heavy winds. The Minion from Saigon on her trip up had strong winds with occasional hard squalls and big seas.

Already the proposed procession by the Chinese is attracting rogues from the country, three of whom were convicted by Mr. C. D. Malbone of larceny from fish stalls in the old Western Market and sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment with six hours in the stocks.

His Honour Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz delivered judgment this afternoon in the action wherein two parties claimed a junk, which was alleged to have been pirated and brought to Hongkong. His Honour found for the defendant, Kwong Tse King, who claimed to have bought the junk in open market.

A great deal of attention is being paid by the police at the present time to gamblers and the revenue of the Colony benefits thereby, for hardly a morning passes without a batch or two appear at the Magistracy. This morning Police Sergeant Terrett had a batch of 26 who were fined \$5 each, and Inspector Fenton had another gang, two being fined \$25 and the rest \$3.

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## BY TELEGRAPH.

## THE CUSTOMS REVENUE.

## A Heavy Decline.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, November 27.

The total amount collected by the Imperial Maritime Customs for the quarter July-September, 1907, is Taels 8,107,127, a decrease of Taels 908,497, the figures for the third quarter of 1906 being Taels 9,103,624.

In Shanghai the collection dropped to Taels 2,394,023 from Taels 3,333,096, and the revenue derived from opium has decreased from Taels 456,511 for the third quarter of 1906 to Taels 406,964 for the period under mention.

The total import duty was Taels 2,948,236 against Taels 3,776,862, but the total export duty has increased slightly, the figures being:—1907, July-September, Taels 2,568,366; 1906, July-September, Taels 2,426,239.

Hankow and the Yangtze ports show increases, Northern China decreases.

Decreases are also shown at Kowloon and Lappa, viz., Kowloon, July-September, 1907, Taels 83,177; July-September, 1906, Taels 85,040. Lappa, July-September, 1907, Taels 83,190; July-September, 1906, Taels 86,318.

## THE ALLEGED TROUBLE IN PORTUGAL.

Mr. A. G. Romano, Consul-General for Portugal, writes us as follows: "I am requested by His Excellency the Governor of Macao to ask you to kindly state that he has received a cablegram from the Minister at Lisbon authorizing him to say that the recent telegrams published in the local papers regarding the political conditions in Portugal are without foundation."

## COOK'S TOUR FOR CHINESE.

The local manager for Messrs. Thomas Cook and Son has arranged a series of excellent trips for Chinese gentlemen, the first to set out in April on a tour of the world. Apart from the general interest and curiosity of ordinary travel, it is intended to add a special feature to these Round-world Tours—an original and novel departure—of an educational character. Industrial centres in every country touched will be visited and factories inspected.

It is proposed to despatch the first party from Hongkong on April 22nd, 1908, visiting Canada, America, Great Britain, the Continent of Europe, and Egypt. The tour will occupy five months and a half, the inclusive cost being £350.

Those who contemplate joining the party should inform the local agents as early as possible.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. E. Burns Fye, of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire's, returns from England to Hongkong shortly with a bride. He marries Miss Gwen Brett.

A Ningpo correspondent writes: On Wednesday next, November 27, an interesting marriage will take place in the Settlement, between Miss Francis Mary Christie and Captain Robert Dolfus of the a.s. Lita. The bride is the daughter of Colonel and Mrs. G. Christie, and niece of Lady Walsham. Lady Walsham has just returned to China on a visit to her son, Mr. Percy R. Walsham, of the I. M. Customs, and may make an extended stay in port.

By kind permission of Major W. W. Chitty and Officers, 119th Infantry, (The Mooltan Regt.), the band of the Regiment will play the following Programme, during dinner, at the Oriental Hotel, 2 Queen's Road Central, on Thursday, the 28th of November, 1907:—March of the Peers, Iolanthe (Sullivan); Valse, Merry Widow (Lehar); Selection, The Yeomen of the Guard (Sullivan); Moresca, Melody in F. (Rubenstein); Song, I dreamed a dream (Cook); Selection, Coster songs (Chevalier); Polka Mazurka, Der Gemuthliche (Pfeiffer); God Save the King.

The College of St. Francis Xavier, established at Mong-ha, one of the suburbs of Macao, intends to celebrate the feast of its Patron Saint by a triduum, commencing on December 1 and ending on the 3rd, which is the Saint's Day. A programme has been issued for public information. During the three days there will be a sale of various articles for the benefit of the Orla de Sta. Infancia. All the tickets are priced and the cost of each ticket varies from 20 cents to \$1. A Band will attend during the evenings of the 1st and 3rd days. The College was expressly built for the education of Chinese youths and it was inaugurated two years ago. Since then the institution has made great progress and done immense good to the poor class of Chinese.

## HOOPER-HOPE WEDDING.

## A Fashionable Function.

The wedding of Lieutenant John Urman Hooper, of the Royal Garrison Artillery, and Miss Christine Shelton Hooper, eldest daughter of Mr. A. Shelton Hooper, was solemnised, in the presence of a gathering of the elite of the Colony, at St. John's Cathedral at 3.30 this afternoon, the officiating clergymen being the Rev. F. T. Johnson and the Rev. G. Searle (Chaplain to the Forces). The bridegroom being a Lieutenant in the Royal Artillery, and a very popular one at that, it was only natural to expect that his brother officers would turn out in force to witness the wedding and offer their felicitations to the happy couple. The Cathedral was crowded when the bride, leaning on the arm of her father, Mr. A. Shelton Hooper, entered, and military uniforms played a prominent part in the brilliant scene. His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard, accompanied by Lady Lugard, was present, and among others we noticed Admiral Sir Arthur Moore, Commodore A. G. Stokes, Sir Henry Berkeley, Hon. Mr. F. H. May and Mrs. May, Hon. Mr. H. Keswick, Colonel Kent, most of the officers of the R.G.A., the Staff-Sergeants, and Sergeants of the Artillery and the men of No. 1 section, 87th Company, R.G.A.

The Cathedral was, as usual, decorated with ferns and greenery for the occasion, and the effect of the profusion of plants which lined the aisle leading to the altar, and of the arches beneath which the wedding party walked, was to almost completely transform the interior of the church. The bride wore a charming gown of ivory white satin, embroidered with pearls and sleeves of point lace, and over a wreath of orange blossoms was a Brussels net veil. The groom's gift to the bride was a pendant of amethyst and pearls. She was attended by two bridesmaids—Miss D. Shelton Hooper and Miss K. Clarke—both of whom were gowned in pale blue tulle with sleeves of ruffled Valenciennes lace and large Leghorn hats, trimmed with La France roses. Each carried a bouquet of pink roses, and wore a gold chain bracelet, the gift of the bridegroom. Mrs. Shelton Hooper, mother of the bride, was handsomely attired in a black and white creation of pin silk, with touches of pale blue, and she wore a flowered tulle. Mrs. Hooper also carried a bouquet of red roses.

The hymns "The voice that breathed o'er Eden," and "Oh, Perfect Love" were sung and Mendelssohn's Wedding March was played.

On leaving the church the bridal party passed beneath a long arch of steel, swords being crossed by the service comrades of the groom.

After the ceremony the reception was held in King'sclere, lent by Mrs. G. Searle for the occasion, and the spacious hall proved an ideal spot for such a gathering. Some little time was occupied in receiving the many guests, all of whom had a word or two of congratulation to say to the handsome couple, after which the Hon. Mr. F. H. May proposed the toast of the bride and bridegroom, in a happy speech.

Lieut. and Mrs. Hooper go to Foochow for their honeymoon.

The presents were numerous and totalled about 300, among which were the following:—Japanese silver tea set, from Brother Officers, R.G.A.; large silver bowl, from Brother Officers, 87th Co., R.G.A.; a silver centre-piece, from the Sergeants Mess, R.G.A.; silver centre-piece from N. C. O.'s and men, 87th Co., R.G.A.

## THE KING OF SPAIN.

## Subject to Consumption.

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, October 21.

I am assured that all is not happiness in the Spanish



## BY TELEGRAPH.

## A RAILWAY SMASH.

## Eighty Casualties.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay).

London, November 26. The Barcelona-Vallencia express ran off the line when crossing a bridge and was hurled into the river.

Twenty lives were lost, but sixty others were injured.

## THE PEOPLE'S FREEDOM.

## Removing Restrictions in Germany.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay).

London, November 25. The German Government has introduced a Bill into the Reichstag, granting every one in the Empire the right of joining associations and holding public meetings, subject to regulations involving general police supervision at the meetings.

## A FINANCIAL CRISIS.

## Trouble in North China.

(Chinese Mail's Service).

Peking, November 26. At the suggestion of the Board of Agriculture, Industries and Commerce, a sum of two million taels has been appropriated by the Hupu Bank (the Bank of the Board of Revenue) for the purpose of relieving the money market, which has become tightened owing to recent failures at Yingkow.

## CHINESE ABROAD.

## Return by the Government.

(Chinese Mail's Service).

Peking, November 26. The aggregate number of Chinese resident abroad, as returned by the various Ministers, is 6,200,000.

## THE SALVATION ARMY IN JAVA.

London, November 25. At the request of the Java Government the Salvation Army will take charge of the criminal, pauper, and leper populations.

A Salvationist, now in Argentina, who has contracted leprosy, will proceed to Java to work the leper class.

## AMERICAN COTTON.

London, November 25. The New Orleans Cotton scheme will be submitted to the Congress of Cotton Growers at Memphis on the 7th January next.

## FATAL MOTOR ACCIDENT.

London, November 25. Sir Henry Rawlinson, while motorcycling yesterday, collided at the cross roads near Frimley, with General Sir Henry Colville.

The latter who was motor-cycling, has succumbed to the injuries he received.

## INTERNATIONAL CRICKET.

## New South Wales Beaten.

London, November 25. The M.C.C. defeated New South Wales by 406 runs.

## DIRIGIBLE BALLOONS.

London, November 25. The American Board of Ordnance has allotted a sum to buy one or more dirigible balloons with wireless telephones.

## THE U. S. FLEET.

Washington, November 21. It is reported here that Ambassador Aoki will be commissioned by the Tokyo government to invite the battleship fleet to visit Yokohama, on its cruise of the Pacific. The general belief here is that the invitation will be accepted.—Manila Cable.

## THE ODD VOLUMES SOCIETY.

The annual report of the Odd Volumes Society shows that the following meetings have been held since the last general meeting:—14th January, 1907, Lecture by The Honorable Stephen W. Nickerson, M.A., on "Money and Civilization" (Hon. Mr. Pollock in the chair); 21st January, 1907, Lecture by Mr. Frank Browne on "Radiation" (Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., in the chair); 25th February, 1907, Lecture by the Reverend T. W. Pearce, on "The Morrison Controversy" (The Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G., in the chair); 11th March, 1907, Lecture by The Hon. J. B. Sutton, on "New South Wales, the Mother State of the Australia" (Hon. Mr. Pollock in the chair); 4th July, 1907, Lecture by Mr. Lo Souef on "Wild Life in Australia" (Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., in the chair).

The annual general meeting will be held at the office of the Hon. Mr. Pollock, 18, Bank Buildings, on Monday, December 2, at 5.15 p.m. The accounts have been audited by Mr. W. King, and show a balance in the bank of \$417.21.

## IU KI SHING.

## Another Appeal.

The friends of Iu Ki Shing are not sitting down and weeping in face of the decision of the Acting Pseudo Judge (His Lordship Mr. A. G. Wise) that the accused should be handed over to the Chinese authorities. On the other hand all steps are being taken to secure a reversal of that decision and to that end an application was made to the Full Court this morning. His Lordship Mr. A. G. Wise and His Honour Mr. H. H. J. Gompertz being on the Bench.

The application was made by Sir Henry Berkeley, instructed by Mr. Otto Kung Sing, and was purely formal in nature. Sir Henry said that he understood his Lordship proposed to fix the hearing of the motion he intended to move at some later date. The motion did not state on its face the grounds upon which it was made, but it was an appeal generally against his Lordship's decision. It was not usual to state the grounds, but he intended to move practically on the same ground as he moved for habeas corpus. He proposed to ask the Full Court to consider one further ground, which was a sub-ground of the second ground, and that was that the evidence went to show that the requisition was made with a view to punish an officer other than an extradition case.

The hearing of the motion was adjourned sine die.

## PATROLLING THE WEST RIVER.

## Women Agitating.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Canton, November 26. Several hundred students in the Girls' Schools of Canton joined in a mass-meeting to protest against China's giving any authority to foreigners in reference to the protection of her waterways. Some fiery speeches were made, one young woman saying that even if they yielded up their lives in behalf of such a cause it would not be too much. A subscription was raised to send a telegram to Peking. And so the excitement is allowed to extend and increase. The officials evidently encourage the agitation. They could suppress it if they wished to do so. But it may grow beyond what they desire if they let it alone too long.

## ATTACK ON MR. ROOSEVELT.

New York, November 22. Justice D. J. Brewer, of the Supreme Court of the United States, has delivered a speech in Carnegie Hall, in New York, in which he attacks President Roosevelt and accuses him of playing hide and seek with the people. Mr. Roosevelt, said Justice Brewer, claims to uphold the law but manages to avoid any real enforcement of it.—N. C. Daily News.

## DECAYING FRANCE.

## Great Birth-rate Decrease.

Paris, November 21. Statistics just published by the French government show the race to be losing ground numerically. It appears that the birth rate of the republic for ten years is less than that of Germany in one year. The government is alarmed at the showing and an effort will be made to counteract the tendency by legislation.—Manila paper.

## SOUTH MANCHURIAN RAILWAY.

## Half Yearly Accounts.

A recent Tairen telegram to the "Asahi" reports that Mr. Ura, a Director of the South Manchurian Railway Company, would leave for Tokyo on the 20th with the accounts for the past half year. They have to be examined by Baron Goto, the President of the Company, before publication, but it is said that they show that the total revenue of the Company during the term was 14,710,000, of which 13,050,000 was derived from the railway and the remainder from other sources. The total expenditure during the term was 13,050,000. The average daily profits from the railway are put at about ¥130, per mile. It is, however, believed that the daily average for the year will reach about ¥46, the winter being the best season for the line.

## CORRESPONDENCE.

## THE PROPOSED PROCESSION.

(To the Editor of the China Mail.)

Sir—We have read with interest a letter appearing under the above heading in your issue of the 23rd inst., over the signature of "A Resident."

We are not the promoters of the forthcoming Festival, and it does not fall to us to deny that prices of necessities have gone up, but we are far from being so carried away as to state that the 'prices have gone up anything like 200 per cent. nor yet that they have gone up as a consequence of and in anticipation of the coming procession. As your own columns will bear testimony, Mr. Editor, there has always been and always will be fluctuation in the prices of commodities in this Colony. The recent increase, which in no case, so far as we are aware, reached 200 per cent. nor in any case more than 3 per cent., is simply due to and regulated by the law of supply and demand, and is not brought about in any sense by reason of the approaching Festival. If supplies from the country should increase within the week, more than the demand, then, following economic laws, prices will also recede. The reason which is hinted at as causing the rise in prices is an unworthy one, namely, that those who supply the necessities are simply raising the prices now so as to be able the more effectively to squeeze the numerous visitors to the Colony during the time of the Festival. We think that the ground of this reason is taken away by "A Resident" himself when he states that "Some even hint that after the Festival prices will go higher still." Why will this be so? Whom will those supplying the necessities be wanting to squeeze then? To what future Festival will such rise be due?

"A Resident" also states that the vegetable dealers and others openly say that they have to increase the prices so as to recoup themselves the sums they have to subscribe towards the approaching Festival. We do not believe for a moment that any such statement was made by any member of our Guild—the facts would not warrant it. The Guild has not been called upon to contribute any money towards the organising funds; it voluntarily desires representation in a small section of the procession, and with the Committee's concurrence has been allowed to be represented.

If "A Resident" will disclose his name, we shall be glad to afford him an inspection of any wholesale vegetable dealer's books and thus satisfy him that our statements are correct and that the increase in the price of vegetables may be it is absurd to think that the increase is the result of a "squeeze" or combination among the stallholders and the hundreds of street hawkers who ply their trade in every part of the Colony.

Apologising for trespassing on your valuable space,—Yours, etc., KWONG CHONG LAM, Vegetable Dealers Guild, Central Market.

## A BLOW AT FOOTBINDING.

There has been a special meeting held in the palace at Peking, at which those called—and they were high officials—were asked to discuss the means to be adopted in order to unify more closely the two races, Manchu and Chinese, that now make up the so-called Chinese people. It was first of all suggested by Shun Ki, a high official, that some attempt should be made to bring the dress of the Manchus ladies in harmony with the dress of the Chinese. Of course it is well known that the Manchus women wear long robes differing little from those worn by the men, whilst Chinese women wear much shorter jackets. It is said, however, that the Empress Dowager set her teeth firmly against such a proposed change. Then the question of footbinding came up for discussion. It was advised by those who are wishful for a better state of affairs—and the innovating Viceroy Chang Chih-tung was present, and took part in the discussions—that in the future no small-footed woman should be enabled, which means probably that they should not be presented to Court and received into "Society." Further it was suggested that in the future that all women who had anything to do with lawsuits, and had to appear before magistrates, if they had natural feet should be exempted from the ignominy of bowing to the ground before the magistrate.

In all probability if these two laws were issued and were insisted upon footbinding would receive a death blow. Whether these suggestions will receive the Imperial sanction remains to be seen. It is certain that if such privileges were given on the one hand, and withheld on the other, in the higher classes at least from ancient custom would receive a blow from which it would not easily recover. In regard, however, to the desirability of each nation wearing only one kind of dress, nothing arbitrary was decided upon, as it was thought if the thing were ordered and pressed the women themselves would oppose the plan from sheer obstinacy, and therefore the suggestions were left to filter into the minds of the ladies for their acceptance or not as was thought best, whereupon the counselors said they thought there would be a willingness on the part of both Manchus and Chinese to approach each other in the matter, and so something would be effected which would be helpful.

## CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY.

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## SPORTING.

## Football.

## THE GAME AT CANTON.

Teams from H. M. S. "Albatross" and H. M. S. "Robin" met on the recreation ground on Sunday last in an Association football match. The men from the Albatross played better combination and showed superior skill in keeping the ball under control, but the Robins played in their old style—kick and run—and wound up winners by two goals to one.

The Customs had arranged to play H.M.S. Hart on Monday, but as the latter had orders to sail on that day, the game was played on Sunday. Great excitement prevailed prior to and during the match, the Customs team being favorites. During the second spell Taylor, of H.M.S. Hart, wrenched his ankle badly and the accident weakened his side considerably. Despite the superiority of the Customs team, they only won by one goal to nil. The team from H.M.S. Hart played well, considering it was their first game together.

## NEW BOOKS.

(From Our Correspondent.)

London, October 21. In addition to George Manington's "A Soldier of the Legion" and the much reviewed "Letters of Queen Victoria," Mr. John Murray is publishing a travel book by Mr. R. F. Johnston, F.R.G.S., entitled "From Peking to Mandalay: Being an Account of a Journey from North China to Burma, through Thibet, Szechuan and Yunnan." The author, I hear, has much that is new to tell about little known places, and gives not merely an account of his experiences but also gives the reader advantage of his studies of the language, religion and peoples of the country, the politics of the Chinese Empire and the habit of mind and point of view of the Chinese.

In a few days a promising book of travel will be issued by Messrs Blackwood. This is "In the Footsteps of Marco Polo," by Major Clarence Dalrymple Bruce, and is an account of a recent journey overland from Simla to Peking. The work is dedicated to the officers and European non-commissioned officers of the late Chinese regiment, which Major Bruce commanded.

## SANITARY BOARD VERSUS GOVERNMENT.

When Mr. Lau Chu Pak's letter regarding the Government overriding the Sanitary Board came up for consideration yesterday the Hon. Mr. Hewitt said:—I am not disposed to endorse Mr. Lau Chu Pak's statement. It is laid down in the Ordinance under which the Sanitary Board works that certain applications for exemption should be forwarded to the Board for consideration, and only the proper procedure should be followed in the future whether the Governor-in-Council refuses to adopt the decision of the majority of the Board or not. I see no reason why, because the Governor-in-Council does not adopt a decision of the majority of the Board, the clause should be wiped out. We should continue to recommend even though our recommendations are not always endorsed by the Governor-in-Council. It would be a very retrograde step to adopt Mr. Lau Chu Pak's proposal simply because the Government in a few isolated cases has not adopted the decision of the majority of the Board.

Mr. Hooper.—I would go further than Mr. Hewitt. The Governor-in-Council has no power to adopt modifications until we have recommended them. We make them; the Governor simply confirms them. Therefore I think the matter must stand over.

Hon. Dr. Atkinson.—As a matter of fact only four out of 176.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak.—It will be time enough to discuss it when the matter comes up for consideration.

Hon. Dr. Atkinson.—I was saying that only four out of 176 recommendations have been refused.

Mr. Lau Chu Pak.—What I had specially under consideration was the recommendations under section 176, but as the Board has agreed not to discuss it just now I will defer my remarks.

## WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr. Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—

On the 27th at 12.10 p.m.—The barometer has risen slightly over N. China, and fallen moderately over the Loochoos.

The anticyclonic area in still control to the North of the Upper Yangtze. Pressure is relatively low between Formosa and the Loochoos, and over the S. part of the China Sea.

Gradients are steeper over the China coast, and strong monsoon will continue to prevail in the Formosa Channel and the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.

Forecast District.

- 1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: N. winds, fresh or strong; fair.
- 2.—Formosa Channel: N.E. winds, strong.
- 3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamooka: Same as No. 1.
- 4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: Same as No. 1.

## THE CANTON BRIDGE.

## Company Disbanding.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Canton, Nov. 26. A meeting of the stockholders of the Canton-Honam Bridge Co. has been held and those present voted to disband the company. The reason assigned is that the General Manager has died since the company was organized. Again I would call attention to the feasibility of boring a tunnel beneath the river, thus providing easy communication between the crowded city and the island. A tram line could then be brought up the bank, carried across the river and around the island with as large a loop as might be desirable, and then back across the river. If a Land Development Company would take hold of this scheme, provide building sites, parks, etc., on Honam Island, they could make money. I make the suggestion free of charge, and without any present interest in Honam property.

## MUSEUM CURIOS.

(From Our Correspondent.)

London, October 21. Franco is all excited just now over the revelations following the arrest of two brothers Thomas, at Clermont Ferrand, and the confession that they were professional burglars of church and other relics and merchants in poisons, poignards, illicit drugs and other nefarious merchandise. On the list of their clients for poisons and such like they claim to have some of the highest in the land and they declare that if prosecuted to the limit it will be found better to drop the case than bring out the scandals they can produce. They have been living at Clermont Ferrand in the odour of philanthropy and were regarded as model people, but in their house has been found evidence enough to show most widespread crimes, and heavy profits arising from the sale of valuables, chiefly ecclesiastical, abstracted from altars and similar places. In London some of these gems were disposed of, but a Paris dealer having been refused the sale of a certain relic, at the price he offered, gave information to the police which caused the whole pack of cards to fall to the ground.

On this matter it is interesting to add that Sir Caspar Parnall Clark, now director of the Metropolitan Art Museum of New York, has declared that every museum in the world is the receiver at various times of stolen goods. All ecclesiastical treasures have been stolen for a practical certainty, but the titles of the museums to their possessions are doubtless clear enough.

## WHY ROOSEVELT MOVES THE FLEET.

The Washington correspondent of the "Morning Post" wires that the real motive of President Roosevelt in dispatching a squadron from the Atlantic to the Pacific is because of a belief that events in China will soon demonstrate the wisdom of the United States being represented in Asiatic waters by a preponderant naval force.

Mr. Roosevelt has been advised that the death of the Dowager Empress may occur at any time, and with her death domestic and international complications may ensue.

## RELIGIOUS MANIA.

## Suicide by Electrocutation.

A curious story of suicide by electrocution was told at an inquest, at Kingston, on William Brown, a master carpenter, of Northing, aged 56, assistant secretary of the Kingston Association Football Club. The deceased had been engaged at the electric lighting works, and it was stated, had been making careful inquiries as to the dangerous parts of the switchboard. It was supposed that he was anxious to avoid risking his life, and the fullest information was supplied him. Subsequently he was seen with his hands on two of the terminals and fell down dead.

Evidence showed that he had had no worry, but had suffered from religious mania, a recurrence of which was feared, and a letter was found indicating his intention to commit suicide, concluding with the words, "My brain is gone." A verdict of suicide during temporary insanity was returned.

## DIABOLO—NOT NEW.

Probably many, if not most, of the Diabolo enthusiasts are under the impression that the game is quite a new invention, remarks a home paper. This, however, is not the case. In the course of an article on Chinese toys, a writer in "The Golden Penny" said:

"Chinese children have many toys, some of them similar to those which our own children so much enjoy, while not a few are entirely different. For instance, among the thousands of toys turned out by our numerous toy manufacturers, there are none so interesting as the Chinese top, Kung Chung. It is a kind of double top, and is spun by two sticks and a string. The string is wound round the axle, and, by jerking one of the sticks the top is made to spin. European visitors to China have often been astonished at the remarkable dexterity which Chinese boys show in spinning this top. It can be spun in a great variety of ways. They will toss it over and under their foot, throw it up into the air, catching it on the string again, then jerk it behind their backs, under their legs, in fact, spinning it in every conceivable position, and not only making the top spin, but howl. For the Kung Chung is a top that whistles. This remarkable toy is often produced by the Chinese toy maker with such primitive tools as a knife, a saw, a file, and a piece of sandpaper."

## THE LUSITANIA AS A FAST TROOPER.

(From Our Correspondent.)

London, Oct. 31.

The reduction of the Atlantic crossing by the Lusitania to four days, twenty minutes, has moved the newspaper calculators to discuss the utility of the vessel and her sister ship, the Mauretania, in the event of their being used as armed cruisers and fast transports in case of war, according to the terms under which the Cunard Company receive a subsidy from the Government. It must be borne in mind that the vessels are too big for the Suez Canal and would have to go round by the Cape to come eastward. Even so they could, according to these reckonings, based on the average speed shown by the Lusitania, land troops at Bombay in seventeen days, fourteen hours, at Singapore in nineteen days, two and a half hours, and at Hongkong in twenty-one days, twelve and a half hours.

## INTERESTING TO HONGKONG.

## Heir to a Fortune Wanted.

General Charles E. Furlong, who for twenty-nine years lived a somewhat mysterious life at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, and who died at Portland, Me., on Wednesday, was supposed to be a bachelor, but he may after all have been a man with a family, says the New York "Tribune," of October 19. City Magistrate Henry J. Furlong, of Brooklyn, made the interesting suggestion last night that General Furlong was, probably a distant kinsman of his, and that he left a son, Robert, who is agent for the Equitable Life Assurance Society in the city of Hongkong. The general went around the globe two or three times, and made long stops in Hongkong. Magistrate Furlong has little to back up his theory, but the general's friends who heard about Robert Furlong, of Hongkong, recalled that General Furlong never would say a word about near relatives, except to assert that he had none. If there is a son Robert in Hongkong, he is likely to inherit a comfortable fortune, as General Furlong left an estate the value of which ranges from \$200,000 to \$750,000.

"I never talked with General Furlong about his family affairs," said Judge Furlong last night to a Tribune reporter, "but I believe that I am a distant cousin, perhaps a fourth or fifth cousin. The family came from Dundrum, near Dublin, away back, and the general's family has been on this side of the water many years. I understand he was born in Lexington, Massachusetts. Furlong is not a common name, there being but a few in the directory. From the little I know of General Furlong he had a number of distant relatives, some of whom are in this West, and I was informed some time ago that he had a son, Robert, in Hongkong, China, where he represents the Equitable Life Assurance Society. I haven't any proof of this, and never asked General Furlong about it, but I have heard it suggested by members of the Furlong family."

Charles A. Furlong, who is vice president of a company at No. 116 Broad street and lives at the Hotel Marlborough, is a brother of City Magistrate Furlong. When seen last night he said:

"I am very much interested in the history of General Furlong. If he had no direct relatives it may turn out that I am one of his heirs. I am not banking on it, as I never looked up the general's family, but I am under the impression that he was a distant cousin, the collateral branches running back to one ancestor in or near Dublin."

Mr. Sullivan, of Sullivan and Cromwell, the well known legal firm, said last night that General Furlong made his will many years ago. "Our firm has been his counsel for many years," said Mr. Sullivan last night at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. "I recall that General Furlong made his will a long time ago, and so far as I know he has not changed it. It probably is in his box along with other papers. After the funeral on Saturday an order will be obtained from the Supreme Court to open the box and read the will. I do not know that General Furlong has any relatives. He was extremely reticent about his family matters."

It was learned last night that in 1877 about \$170,000 in government bonds held by General Furlong matured, and at that time he reinvested the bulk of this sum in New York City 4 per cent. most of which matured this year, at which time he bought \$180,000 of new 4 per cent. bonds that he bought in 1877 were purchased at less than par.

F. H. Nims, manager of the New Falmouth Hotel, Portland, who brought the body on to New York, said last night that up to a few hours before the end the general was confident of getting well.

The Amers Corner Association, of which General Furlong was a charter member, last night at the Fifth Avenue Hotel arranged the funeral for Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at the hotel. Dr. Burrell or his assistant, Dr. Meyers, of the College Church, will have charge of the service. The honorary pallbearers will be the directors of the Amers Corner Association. Mayor McMillan said last night that he would be at the funeral. The Amers last night adopted resolutions testifying to the general's active interest in the club, to his friendship, patriotism, and sincerity of benevolence, and ordering that his name be read by the secretary at each meeting of the club for one year.

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## JAPANESE SILK TRADE.

## The Dispute Settled.

We learn from the "Japan Chronicle" that the Honorary Secretary of the Association of Foreign Raw and Waste Silk Merchants of Yokohama has informed the Press that the recent controversy between the three raw-silk factories, the Ususha, Kanbusha, and Shimomita, and the Association has been amicably settled by the intervention of Messrs. Hara, Shibusawa, and Mogi, who for many years have been handling the produce of the three factories.

It will be remembered that an arrangement was originally made whereby the Zaguri silk produced by the three reeling companies should be exported exclusively by the Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, Daishin Kaisha, and Kikyo Gomei Kaisha. This arrangement was not acceptable to the foreign silk firms in Yokohama, and eventually resulted in the boycott of the Zaguri silk in question by the New York Silk Business Association. Messrs. Hara, Mogi, and Shibusawa, the leading silk merchants of Yokohama, deploring this state of things, offered their services as mediators to settle the dispute, and after a series of conferences they met the representative of the leading foreign silk firms on Tuesday, when it was agreed that business should be resumed as before from yesterday. This information was immediately telegraphed to New York by the foreign merchants, and the mediators on their part informed the Japanese Raw Silk Guild.

The Guide—"Hold on! Don't shoot! That's a flock of tame ducks." Amateur Hunter (reluctantly):—"Oh, I'm glad you noticed it. Well, be able to get quite close before firing, won't you?"

## A QUESTION THAT EVERY MAN SHOULD DECIDE FOR HIMSELF.

THERE is one subject in which many of us are interested and that is, what is











## THE KOREAN DISTURBANCES.

## Further Fighting Reported.

A Seoul despatch states that at dawn on the 12th, a Japanese force invested and attacked about 500 insurgents who had assembled at Heisan. The insurgents were panic-stricken and ran away, leaving behind them twenty dead bodies, two guns and twenty-seven rifles.

Another message reports that insurgents made their appearance between Bunsan and Kaju on the Seoul-Wiju railway line on the 14th, and cut down the telegraph wires, thus interrupting communication to the west of Seoul. Workmen who were sent to repair the telegraph were attacked by the insurgents. Troops have been despatched to the vicinity.

## To-day's Advertisements

## ORIENTAL HOTEL.

THURSDAY, 28th November, 1907.

DINNER: Sliced Roast Beef, Water Cress, Soured Cucumber.

HORS D'OEUVRES: Potatoes, Olives.

SOUPS: Bird Nest and Chicken.

FISH: Grilled Oyster.

ENTREES: Ribs of Pork and Sprouts.

Tea and Dessert.

JOINTS: Roast Mutton and Bread Sauce.

COLD MEATS: Cold Mutton and Bread Sauce.

SALAD: Mixed.

CURRY: Chicken.

VEGETABLES: Cream Potatoes.

ENTRETTES: Fig Pudding and Wine Sauce.

Almond Ice Cream and Finger Cakes.

DESSERT: Cheese, Fruit, Coffee, Tea.

Hongkong, November 27, 1907. 1885

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

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Hongkong, November 27, 1907. 1885

## THE Steamship

CATHINE APCAR.

Capt. W. D. A. Thomas, will be despatched

for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the

28th December, at 3 p.m.

For Freight or passage, apply to

DAVID SAASSON &amp; Co., Ltd.,

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Hongkong, November 27, 1907. 1887

## MESSAGERIES

## MARITIMES.

## FRENCH MAIL STEAMERS.

STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATA-

VIA COLOMBO, CALCUTTA,

BOMBAY, ADEN, DIBOUTI,

SUEZ, MARSEILLES,

LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, MEN-

TANZAN and BLACK SEA PORTS.

THE Steamship

POLYNESIAN.

Captain Broc, will be despatched for

MARSEILLES on TUESDAY, the 16th

December, 1907, at 1 p.m.

This Steamship connects at Colombo with

the Australian line s.s. Ville de la Océan

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Passage Tickets and through Bills of

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S.S. TOURNAI, Dec. 24, 1907.

S.S. AMAND BENOIT, Jan. 7, 1908.

S.S. SALAZAR, Jan. 21, 1908.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX.

Hongkong, November 27, 1907. 1882

## INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION

## COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND

SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship Katanga

having arrived from the above Ports

consigned of Cargo by her are hereby

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Cargo impeding the discharge or remain-

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will be landed at consignees' risk and

expense.

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Hongkong, November 27, 1907. 1888

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A ROOM, Furnished or Unfurnished,

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Hongkong, August 13, 1907. 1321

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## DAIRY FARM Co.,

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## CORNED OX TONGUES.

## FRESH DAIRY FED PORK.

## DELICIOUS FRESH PORK

## SAUSAGES.

Hongkong, November 23, 1907. 188

## SHIPPING.

## ARRIVALS.

November 26.

Mundana Maru, Japanese str., 4,451.

P. Hallstrom, Japan Nov. 21, Coal—M.

B. K.

November 27.

Nippon Maru, Japanese str., 6,166, Wm.

E. Filmer, San Francisco October 30, and

Shanghai November 24, Mail, Flour and

General.—TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

Hainan, British str., 638, A. J. Robson,

Fochow, via Amoy and Swatow Nov. 26,

General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO.

Mennon, British str., 3,018, H. W. N.

Evans, Liverpool and Saigon November

22.—BUTTERFIELD &amp; SWIRE.

Kurang Lee, Chinese steamer, 1,461, R.

L. Lincoln, Shanghai Nov. 23, General.—

C. M. S. N. Co.

Kutsang, British str., 3,110, R. C. D.

Bradley, Singapore Nov. 21, General.—

JARDINE, MATHESON &amp; Co.

Hunan, British steamer, 1,142, Pickett,

Tianjin Nov. 17, General.—BUTTERFIELD

&amp; SWIRE.

Achilles, British str., 4,483, Thompson,

Shanghai Nov. 26, General.—BUTTERFIELD

&amp; SWIRE.

Chongching, British str., from Canton.

## DEPARTURES.

November 27.

Soshu Maru, for Swatow.

Kutsang, for Shanghai.

Kutsang, for Haiphong.

Fukushima Maru, for Swatow.

Kutsang, for Canton.

Yamato Maru, for Yokohama.

Yamato, for Batavia.

Kamatsura Maru, for Singapore and Lon-

don.

Kwangtung, for Canton.

Tianan, for Kobe.

Leopard, Austrian cruiser, for Amoy.

## CLEARED.

Hupch, for Hobei.

Kutah, for Shanghai.

Mennon, for Shanghai.

Hunan, for Canton.

## PASSENGERS.

## ARRIVED.

Per Hainan, from Coast Ports, Hon.

H. Kewick.

Per Kutsang, from Calcutta, &amp;c., Major

E. A. R. Rowell, Mr. and Mrs. Gillespie

and child, Dr. Wrench, Messrs Sharpin and

Steinberg.

Per Nippon Maru, from San Francisco,

Mr. J. A. S. Ives, Mr. H. P. Novell,

Mrs. Ward Leigh, Capt. J. N. Pickering,

Mr. I. W. Young, Mr. J. A. Jeanson, Miss

E. L. Pratt, Mr. J. S. T. Audley, Mr.

Frank Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Palmer,

Mr. Lewis Main, Mr. E. M. Smith, Mr.

Victor Lashley, Mrs. B. Longdon, Mrs.

F. D. Helmer, Mr. Wm. E. Moore, Mrs.

Ward Leigh, Mrs. K. S. Eginton, Messrs

B. Longdon and A. K. Watson.

DEPARTED.

Per Tournai, for Shanghai, Mr. and Mrs.

J. P. Marquis, Mr. and Mrs. F. Herbert

Rhodes, Miss Boston, Messrs G. S. V.

Bridwell, Deane and N. Vidal.

Per Zouk, for Saigon, Messrs Jacob E.

Conner, Thien, Jules Viet and

F. Santos; for Marseilles, Messrs Macleod,

R. P. Monhier, W. Boyd and E. Bluno.

## Temperature.

Hongkong, November 27, 1907.

Barometer—9 A.M. ... 30.10

Do. ... 1 P.M. ... 30.07

Do. ... 4 P.M. ... 30.08

Thermometer—9 A.M. ... 70

Do. ... 1 P.M. ... 70

Do. ... 4 P.M. ... 70

Do. (Wet bulb) 9 A.M. ... 65

Do. ... 1 P.M. ... 64

Do. ... 4 P.M. ... 64

Do. Minimum over night ... 59

## Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

EXCLUSIVE OF LATE ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES REPORTED TO-DAY.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked A., near the Kowloon shore K., and those in the body of the Shipping of midway between each shore are marked G., in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

- Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
  2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
  3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour's Office.
  4. From Harbour Master's to the Market.
  5. From The Market to Poddar's Wharf.
  6. From Poddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
  7. From Naval Yard to Blue Building.
  8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
  9. From East Point to North Point.
  10. Kowloon Wharves.
  11. Jardine's Wharf.

VESSEL'S NAME.	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND REG.	TONS NETT.	DATE OF ARRIVAL.	CONSIGNEES OR AGENTS.	DESTINATION.	REMARKS.
Steamers.							
Achilles	Thompson	British str.	4483	Nov. 27	Butterfield & Swire	Saigon & London	Dec. 1.
Amiral Fourichon	Blanchard	French str.	3185	Nov. 27	Messageries Maritimes	Shanghai	Nov. 28.
Asot	Seaborn	British str.	2766	Nov. 19	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Durban	Nov. 28.
Barkston	Seaborn	British str.	2769	Nov. 18	Order	London Dock	At'on Dock
Bourbon	Ball	French str.	997	Nov. 20	Bradley & Co.		
Catherine Apear	Thomas	British str.	1730	Nov. 25	David Sassoon & Co., Ltd.		
Chongching	Wheeler	British str.	1286	Nov. 24	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Chiung	Stewart	Chil. str.	1211	Nov. 23	C. M. S. N. Co.		
Chiu Yuen	Moller-mann	Ger. str.	1115	Nov. 25	Butterfield & Swire		
Choyang	Sandbach	British str.	1243	Nov. 26	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Shanghai	Nov. 28.
Cocoon	Walker	British str.	2685	Nov. 19	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha		
Daguy	Abrahamson	Norw. str.	883	Nov. 25	Agard, Thoresen & Co.		
Eastern	Abrahamson	Norw. str.	2272	Nov. 25	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	Australian Ports	Nov. 30.
Empress of China	Archibald	British str.	3039	Nov. 19	C. P. R. Co.	Vancouver (B.C.)	Dec. 19.
Erroll	Lockhart	British str.	2686	Nov. 26	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.		
Forest Dale	Noall	British str.	2480	Nov. 12	Butterfield & Swire		
Hainan	Robinson	British str.	636	Nov. 27	Douglas Steamship Co.	Shanghai, Peking	Nov. 29.
Hunan	Marles	French str.	791	Nov. 23	R. Marry	Singpo & Shanghai	Nov. 29.
Hui	Pickett	British str.	1142	Nov. 27	Butterfield & Swire	Singpo & Calcutta	Nov. 29.
Hui	Oliffant	British str.	3806	Nov. 27	David Sassoon & Co., Ltd.	Cebu & Manila	Nov. 28.
Japan	Finlayson	British str.	1024	Nov. 26	Butterfield & Swire	Cebu & Manila	Nov. 28.
Kailong	Oranovsky	Russian str.	1212	Nov. 26	Butterfield & Swire		
Kueichow	Hooker	British str.	1214	Nov. 26	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Sydney, &c.	Nov. 29.
Kumada Maru	Matheson	Japan. str.	2442	Nov. 27	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Shanghai, Peking & Cebu	Dec. 3.
Kutsang	Bradley	British str.	3110	Nov. 27	C. M. S. N. Co.		
Kwang Lee	Lincoln	Chil. str.	1658	Nov. 27	Butterfield & Swire		
Kwaiyang	Dowson	British str.	1062	Nov. 10	Butterfield & Swire		
Loong	Schultzen	Jer. str.	1430	Nov. 27	Butterfield & Swire		
Madras Maru	Hallstrom	Japan. str.	2441	Nov. 26	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha		
Manchuria	Saunders	Amer. str.	8750	Nov. 26	C. M. S. N. Co.		
Mathilda	Evans	Jer. str.	833	Nov. 27	Jensen & Co.		
Mennon	Coall	British str.	3018	Nov. 27	Butterfield & Swire		
Monoed	McGregor	British str.	3000	Sept. 21	Admiralty		
M. S. Dollar	Coall	British str.	2674	Nov. 18	Arnold, Karberg & Co.		
Nanshan	Coall	British str.	1298	Nov. 20	Hendley & Co.		
Nippon Maru	Finlayson	British str.	1024	Nov. 26	Butterfield & Swire		
Phuamph	Coall	British str.	3806	Nov. 27	Butterfield & Swire		
Prinz Sigismund	Lenz	Ger. str.	3302	Nov. 18	Melchers & Co.		
Progress	Leuch	Norw. str.	1671	Nov. 19	Walters & Co.		
Prometheus	Kornelinsen	Norw. str.	1023	Nov. 28	Nippon Yusen Kaisha		
Pronto	Seberg	Norw. str.	838	Nov. 11	Walters & Co.		
Solat	Thoren	Norw. str.	878	Nov. 4	Agard, Thoresen & Co.		
Taming	Outebridge	British str.	1350	Nov. 15	Butterfield & Swire	Manila	Nov. 28.
Tean	Outebridge	British str.	1346	Nov. 22	Butterfield & Swire	Costa Rica	Nov. 28.
Triumph	Spindixen	Jer. str.	675	Nov. 26	Jensen & Co.		
Tsinau	Landberg	British str.	2300	Nov. 14	Butterfield & Swire	Kobe	Nov. 27.
Woodwich	Stokor	British str.	1845	Nov. 13	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.		
Yuenyang	Holte	British str.	1128	Nov. 27	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Z. Iro	Fraser	British str.	1611	Nov. 26	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	Manila	Nov. 29.
Zillah	Peart	British str.	2412	Nov. 24	Mitsui Bussan Kaisha		